CLAIMS

1. An editing apparatus that edits edit material information to generate resultant edited information, comprising:

a plurality of semiconductor memory insertion units into which a plurality of semiconductor memories, which have recorded therein the edit material information and/or the resultant edited information, are removably inserted respectively;

a display unit for concurrently displaying a plurality of images;

a control unit for controlling the processing of writing/reading information to/from the semiconductor memories inserted into the plural semiconductor memory insertion units, and for controlling the processing of editing the edit material information, and for controlling the processing of displaying a plurality of images on the display unit; and

an edit processing unit that is controlled by the control unit to edit the edit material information to output resultant edited information.

2. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, which has a main body of portable dimensions, and a cover that is so supported as to open and close freely in relation to the main body, and has its one surface facing the main body made to be of substantially the same shape as that of the main surface of the main body,

wherein the display unit is arranged on the surface of the cover facing the main body.

3. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein

at least some of the semiconductor memories inserted into the plural semiconductor memory insertion units have stored therein the edit material information, and

the control unit reads out the edit material information from at least some of the semiconductor memories to make the edit processing unit edit the edit material information, and controls the processing of writing resultant edited information to at least one of the semiconductor memories inserted into the plural semiconductor memory insertion units.

4. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein

the main body has provided thereon an operation unit which can move in parallel with a direction along which a plurality of images are displayed on the display unit when the cover is opened, and

a semiconductor memory having written therein edit material information, which is to be edited by the edit processing unit, is selected when the operation unit moves in parallel.

5. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 4, wherein the operation unit has a ring-shaped portion that is rotated to be operated, and a direction indicating unit that is arranged inside the ring-shaped portion and indicates linear directions.

6. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 1, wherein a shaft portion whose axis is parallel with respective one sides of the main body and the cover is arranged on extension portions extending from the respective corresponding one sides of the

main body and the cover, and the main body and the cover are pivotably coupled by the shaft portion.

7. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 5, wherein the shaft portion has shaft-end operation portions that protrude from the shaft portion along its axis direction.

8. An editing apparatus that edits a plurality of pieces of edit material information recorded in a plurality of recording media to generate resultant edited information, comprising:

an edit processing unit that is controlled by a control unit to edit the plural pieces of edit material information to output resultant edited information;

an input operation unit having a rotational operation means that is rotated to be operated; and

control means for controlling the edit processing in the edit processing unit in accordance with input operation of the input operation unit;

wherein the rotational operation means can move in parallel, and the control means selects recording media having recorded therein the plural pieces of edit material information corresponding to the parallel motion of the rotational operation means so as to make the edit processing unit edit the edit material information.

9. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 8, wherein the rotational operation means is configured in the form of a ring, and has jog/shuttle function to control the processing of reproducing the edit material information.

10. The editing apparatus as set forth in Claim 8, wherein the rotational operation means has a ring-shaped portion that is rotated to be operated, and a direction indicating unit that is arranged inside the ring-shaped portion and indicates linear directions.

11. An image display apparatus, comprising:

a main body;

a cover that has its one surface facing the main body made to be of substantially the same shape as that of the main surface of the main body;

an image display unit that is arranged on at least either of the main body or the cover;

a shaft portion that is arranged on extension portions extending from respective corresponding one sides of the main body and the cover, and pivotably couples the main body and the cover around a axis parallel with the respective one sides; and

shaft-end operation portions that protrude from the shaft portion along its axis direction.

12. The image display apparatus as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the shaft-end operation portions can pivot around their axes.

13. The image display apparatus as set forth in Claim 11, wherein the shaft-end operation portions has a first operation portion and a second operation portion that protrude from both ends of the shaft portion.